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> STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING 5901 Green Valley Circle, Room 207, Culver City November 29-30, 2016 NOTICE AND AGENDA

Meeting Agenda (as of 11/30/2016, 9:30 AM)

Agenda Changes Webcast on Tuesday, November 29, 2016

Tuesday, November 29, 2016

#### 9:00 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance **Board Meeting Convenes\***

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- Α. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Appeals Hearings There are no items for this matter.
- В. **Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Appeals Hearings** (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

B1. Cesar Z. Lugo, 790947 + For Appellant: Cesar Z. Lugo, Taxpayer For Franchise Tax Board: Andy Amara, Tax Counsel Marguerite Mosnier, Tax Counsel

B2. Ahmad Ghaderi and Susan L. Ghaderi, 773301 +

> For Appellants: Ahmad Ghaderi, Taxpayer

> > Jere E. McDonald, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Susanne Coakley, Tax Counsel

Adam Susz, Tax Counsel

B3. Ruby P. Baylin, 905708 +

For Appellant: Gelu Cismas, Representative For Franchise Tax Board: Brian Werking, Tax Counsel Marguerite Mosnier, Tax Counsel B4. James K. Brewster, 918129 +

For Appellant: Katherine Castro, Representative For Franchise Tax Board: Brad Coutinho, Tax Counsel

Cynthia Kent, Tax Counsel

B5. Alan R. Brayton, 852168 +

For Appellant: Alan R. Brayton, Taxpayer

Richard Carpenter, Attorney

For Franchise Tax Board: Eric Yadao, Tax Counsel

Cynthia Kent, Tax Counsel

B6. John R. Wrage and Kristina Wrage, 864549 +

For Appellants: John R. Wrage, Taxpayer

L. Larry Clumeck, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Todd Watkins, Tax Counsel

Michael Cornez, Tax Counsel

## C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings

These items are scheduled for later in the day and Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

## D. Petitions for Release of Seized Property

This item is scheduled for Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

There are no items for the following matters:

- E. Property Tax Appeals Hearings
- F. Public Hearings

#### G. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Consent

(Contribution Disclosure forms <u>not</u> required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

- - ➤ Hearing Notice Sent No Response
    - 1. Tellabs San Jose, Inc., 207816, 228236, 362015 (GH)
    - 2. The College Network, Inc., 561674 (OH)
    - 3a. Mikial Singh Nijjar, 486239 (CH)
    - 3b. Mastermind Group, Inc., 486237 (CH)
    - 4. Ijaz Corporation, 773295 (STF)

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Franchise and Income Tax Matters ...... Mr. Epolite

H2.	Franchise and Income	Tax Matters	Mr. E	Epolite
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- Petition for Rehearing
  - 1. Christene Brown, 797860

There are no items for the following matters:

- H3. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters
- H4. Sales and Use Taxes Matters
- H5. Sales and Use Taxes Matters Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds
- H6. Special Taxes Matters
- H7. Special Taxes Matters Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds
- H8. Property Tax Matters
- H9. Cigarette License Fee Matters
- H10. Legal Appeals Property Tax Matters

#### I. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters

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Property Taxes Matters
 There are no items for this matter.

#### 12. Offer in Compromise Recommendations.......Mr. Anderson

- 1. Abdel A. Alghazali
- 2a. William Gregory Carter
- 2b. Sebastopol Ford, Inc.
- 3. Jeanette Denis-Perez
- 4. Flash Transport, Inc.
- 5. Alberto C. Guerra, Jr.
- 6. MBT Enterprises, Inc.
- 7a. Sanjeewa Ratnaweera
- 7b. Astro Express, Inc.
- 8. Scarlet Tea Room, Inc.
- 9. Charlene Thaver
- 10. Tranquility Health Collective, LLC
- 11a. Ruben Dario Ulloa
- 11b. Pan De Vida. Inc.
- 12. David Reza Zarrin

# Local Tax Reallocation Matters There are no items for this matter.

#### **Chief Counsel Matters**

There are no items for the following matters:

- J. Rulemaking
- K. Business Taxes
- L. Property Taxes
- M. Other Chief Counsel Matters

#### **Administrative Session**

Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

- - N1. Retirement Resolutions +
    - Alfonso C. Barretto
    - Carla Caruso
    - Wayne J. Grupe
    - Patrick Mayers
    - Michaeleen R. Orelup
    - Patricia Thomas
    - James S. Wrenn
  - N2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
    - October 11, 2016 +
    - October 25, 2016 +
  - N3. Proposed revisions to Compliance Policy and Procedures Manual Chapter 7, *Collections* +
  - N4. Approval of Assessors' Handbook Section 581, Equipment and Fixtures Index. Percent Good and Valuation Factors +

Request approval for publication of the 2017 revision of Assessors' Handbook Section 581, *Equipment and Fixtures Index, Percent Good and Valuation Factors*.

- N5. Adoption of Property Tax Form +
  - BOE-261-G, 2017 Claim for Disabled Veterans' Property Tax Exemption

Revised to accommodate new terminology for servicemembers to qualify for the Disabled Veterans' Property Tax Exemption. Revisions mandated by provisions in Senate Bill 1458, Stats. 2016, ch. 871.

- O. Adoption of Board Committee Reports and Approval of Committee Actions There are no items for this matter.
- P. Other Administrative Matters

There are no items for the following matters:

- P1. Executive Director's Report
- P2. Chief Counsel Report

P3.	Business	Tax and Fee	Deputy	Director's Re	port	Ms.	Buehle

 Effects of Proposition 10 on Cigarette and Tobacco Products Consumption +

Section 130105(c) of the Health and Safety Code, as added by Proposition 10, requires the Board to determine the effect of Proposition 10 on the consumption of cigarettes and tobacco products and directs that a transfer of funds to Proposition 99 and breast cancer programs be made to backfill for revenue losses to those programs resulting from consumption changes triggered by Proposition 10. The intent of the backfill is to keep the funding levels of certain Proposition 99 and breast cancer programs from declining any more than they would have decreased without the Proposition 10 tax increase.

There are no items for the following matters:

- P4. Field Operations Department Report
- P5. Property Tax Deputy Director's Report
- - 1. 2017/18 Budget Change Proposals

The following Budget Change Proposals will be presented for Board approval to submit to the Department of Finance for possible inclusion in the Governor's Fiscal Year 2017/18 Budget.

- a. 2017/18 Proposition 56, The California Healthcare, Research, and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 +
- b. 2017/18 Proposition 64, Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act +
- 2. Vacancy Update

An update will be provided on BOE vacancies and the status of vacancy plan development approved by the Board in August 2016.

- P7. Technology Deputy Director's Report .......Mr. Capulong
  - CROS Project Update and Actions .......Mr. Caietti /
     Ms. Gonzalez

Progress on the CROS project to replace BOE's two current legacy-technology tax administration systems.

P8. External Affairs Deputy Director's Report There are no items for this matter.

#### Q. Closed Session

- Q1. Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (Rev. & Tax. Code, §§ 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1, 50156.11).
- Q2. Discussion and action on personnel matters (Gov. Code, § 11126(a)).

Announcement of Open Session...... Ms. Richmond

#### 1:30 p.m. Board Meeting Reconvenes\*

## B. Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Appeals Hearing

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B7. Thomas A. Hrubik and Mary L. Hrubik, 935055 +

For Appellants: Thomas A. Hrubik, Taxpayer

Paul Shimoff, Attorney

For Franchise Tax Board: Brandon Knoll, Tax Counsel

Michael Cornez, Tax Counsel

## C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings

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C1. Suri Investments, Inc., 689145 (AA) +

For Petitioner: Parminder Singh, Taxpayer

Roy McGarrell, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C2. Jessica Chase, 760013 (AS) +

For Taxpayer: Waived Appearance

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C3. 2S Pizza, Inc., 740225 (EA) +

For Petitioner: Manuel Almeida, Representative

Marc Brandeis, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C4a. RM Custom Wood Finishing, Inc., 586214 (EA) +

C4b. Ramon Murguia, 586215 (EA) +

For Claimants: Waived Appearance

For Department: Kevin Smith, Tax Counsel

C5. Isaac Pete Gharibeh, 469663 (AS) +

For Petitioner: George Issa, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

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C6. Treasure Box, Inc., 562424 (AA) +

For Petitioner:

Osama Mousa, Taxpayer

Carmen Mousa, Taxpayer

Patrick McGinnis, Attorney

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C7. Paedick Gharapanianse, 568598 (AC) +

For Petitioner: Paedick Gharapanianse, Taxpayer
For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C8. Pacific Tire Motorsports, 553564, 579010 (AS) +

For Petitioner/Taxpayer: Armando Tiscareno, Taxpayer
Raul Carrega, Representative

For Department: Nenita DeLa Cruz, Hearing Representative

C9. Hector Cruz Costibolo, 793771 (AR) +

For Petitioner: Hector Costibolo, Taxpayer For Department: Monica Silva, Tax Counsel

C10. Ruben Diaz Garcia, 520275 (UT) +

For Petitioner: Ruben Garcia, Taxpayer

Joseph Mudd, Attorney

For Department: Kevin Smith, Tax Counsel

C11. Shaw Dadban, 811132 (FH) +

For Petitioner: Ahren Tiller, Attorney

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C12. Lewis K. Eisaguirre, 741340 (UT) +

For Petitioner: Lewis K. Eisaguirre, Taxpayer
For Department: Erin Dendorfer, Tax Counsel

C13. Kaisuen Kong, 516021, 553424 (EA) +

For Taxpayer: John O. Kent, Attorney
For Department: Erin Dendorfer, Tax Counsel

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D1. Midwest Enterpris, Inc., 974926 (STF) +

For Petitioner: Victor Sherman, Attorney
For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

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